RETURN to Three Orders of the Honourable Houſe of Commons, dated 10th May; directing,

Firſt,—"That there be laid before the Houſe, an Account, ſpecifying how the Balance of £. 573,420. 8 s. 8¾ d. ſtated, in an Account delivered laſt Seſſion by Mr. Irving, to have been the Balance in the Hands of the Collectors of the Iriſh Revenue on the 25th Day of December 1800, was reduced between that Day and the 1ſt January following, and to what Amount; diſtinguiſhing the ſeveral Collectors and Receivers, and reconciling the ſame with the Sum of £. 428,170. 19 s. 5½ d. mentioned in Number One, intituled, "Public Income of Ireland, for the Year 1801," to have been ſuch Balance on the ſaid 1ſt January 1801, and with the Sum of £. 526,307. 6 s. 4½ d. mentioned in the Vouchers (A.) and (B.) annexed to ſuch Paper, to have been ſuch Balance on the ſame Day."

Secondly,—"That there be laid before the Houſe, an Account, ſhewing how the Balance of £. 68,393. 10 s. 3½ d. returned, in an Account delivered by Mr. Irving, laſt Seſſion to have been in the Hands of the Collectors of the Iriſh Stamp Duties on the 25th December 1800, was altered, ſo as to have amounted to the Sum of £. 85,087. 3 s. 1 d. on 1ſt January following, as ſtated in an Account, delivered this Seſſion; ſpecifying what the actual Balance was on each of the ſaid Days."

Thirdly,—"That there be laid before the Houſe, an Account, ſhewing how the Balance of £. 20,635. 4 s. 9 d. ſtated, in the Account delivered by Mr. Irving laſt Seſſion, to have been in the Hands of the Receiver General in the Poſt Office of Ireland on the 25th December 1800, was reduced to the Sum of £. 17,375. 10 s. 1½ d. on the 1ſt January following, as ſtated in the Account of the Public Income of Ireland, for the Year 1801, delivered this Seſſion; and what was the actual Balance on ſaid 1ſt January."

THE BALANCES of £ 573,420. 8 s. 3¾ d.; £. 68,393. 10 s. 3½ d.; and £. 20,635. 4 s. 9 d.; ſtated, in the Account of the "PUBLIC INCOME of IRELAND," delivered to the Houſe by me laſt Seſſion, to have been on 25th December 1800 in the Hands of the Collectors of the Revenue, Stamps, and Poſt Office, reſpectively, were made out according to the beſt of my Judgment from the Materials that were then laid before me, conſiſting of Official Documents tranſmitted to me from Ireland, checked to a certain Degree by the verbal Information of Officers of the Iriſh Revenue then in London. But from the Manner in which they were made up, it never was intended

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tended that they ſhould ſtand as Actual Charges againſt the ſeveral Collectors; nor could they be conſidered as any Thing more than Eſtimated Balances, as will appear from the Notes annexed to the ſaid Account, and from ſeveral of the Sums of which it is compoſed being expreſsly ſtated in that Account to be Suppoſed Sums only: Theſe Balances, which were only Eſtimated Sums, do not admit of any Compariſon by which they can be reconciled with thoſe of the Account of the Iriſh Revenue preſented this Year, which appears to be not an Eſtimated but an Aſcertained Account made up in the proper Offices.

With reſpect however to the Difference between the Balances in the Department of the Revenue, as they ſeverally ſtood in the Account preſented by me above-mentioned, and in the Account of the Public Income of Ireland, preſented to the Houſe this Year, the Difference may be at once reduced to £. 47,113. 1 s. 10¾ d. by obſerving that in my Account I had carried a Sum of £. 98,136. 6 s. 11 d. to the Charge of the Collectors, ariſing from Bills paid over by them to the Receiver General, but not then due; whereas the ſame Sum, in the Account preſented this Year, is carried to the Charge of the Receiver General, and the Collectors ſtand wholly diſcharged of it.—It being further ordered, that my Account of the Balances of laſt Year ſhould be reconciled both with the Account tranſmitted from Ireland of the Balance of this Year, and with the Vouchers (A.) and (B.) annexed to it, between which Vouchers and the Account itſelf there is a conſiderable apparent Difference, I beg leave to obſerve, that the above-mentioned Sum of £. 98,136. 6 s. 11 d. appears on the Face of the Voucher to have been by Miſtake Twice charged againſt the Collectors, viz. Once in the Sum of £. 526,307. 6 s. 4½ d. carried to their Charge in that Voucher as the Total Balance againſt them; and then again as a ſeparate Charge under the Head of "Bills not due." This Circumſtance is therefore the Cauſe of the apparent Difference between the Balance ſtated in the Account and that which is ſtated in the Voucher, as will appear evident by adding the ſaid Sum of £. 98,136. 6 s. 11 d. to the Sum of £. 428,170. 19 s. 5½ d. the Balance charged in the Account itſelf, which will make preciſely the Sum of £. 526,307. 6 s. 4½ d. being the Balance charged in the Voucher.

WILLIAM IRVING,
Inſpector General.

Inſpector General's Office,
Cuſtom Houſe, London,
18 May, 1802.

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